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Via CM/ECF System

The Honorable Analisa Torres United States District Court Southern District of New York Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Courtroom 15D New York, NY 10007

Re: Letter Motion for Adjournment of Initial Pretrial Conference

Farm Direct Supply, LLC v. MSC Mediterranean Shipping Co.

S.D.N.Y. Case No. 1:20-cv-09190-AT

Our Ref: 35045

Dear Judge Torres:

We represent Plaintiff Farm Direct Supply, LLC in the above-referenced action. In accordance with section I.C of Your Honor's individual rules, we write to respectfully request a 30-day adjournment of the initial pretrial conference currently scheduled for January 11, 2021 at 10:40 a.m. This is the first such request.

Plaintiff filed suit on November 3, 2020, seeking to recover for alleged damage to a shipment of fresh asparagus transported by ocean carriage from Peru to the United States. Defendant MSC Mediterranean Shipping Company S.A. (the ocean carrier) has not yet appeared in this action, but its house counsel Nicholas Hargreaves (reading in copy) did execute a waiver of service on November 24, 2020, pursuant to which MSC's answer is now due by January 22, 2021. *See* Dkt. #9.

We advised Mr. Hargreaves of the current submission deadline for the parties' joint letter and proposed case management plan (Monday, January 4, 2021) and requested his consent to this adjournment request on December 29, 2020, but to date we have not received a response. Moreover, the parties have yet to confer under Rule 26(f).

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Accordingly, we respectfully request a 30-day adjournment of the initial pretrial conference to an available date in mid-February 2021.

We thank the Court for its attention to the foregoing request and stand ready to answer any questions that the Court may have regarding this action.

Respectfully submitted, HILL RIVKINS LLP

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GRANTED. The initial pretrial conference scheduled for January 11, 2021, is ADJOURNED to February 16, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. By February 8, 2021, the parties shall file their joint letter and proposed case management plan.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 4, 2021

New York, New York

ANALISA TORRES United States District Judge

